  
Dr. James R. Killian, Jr.  
President  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Cambridge, Massachusetts

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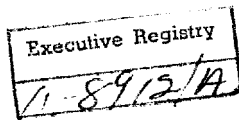
Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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Handwritten P.S.:  
I know that your keen interest in our work will continue and we expect to call on you for guidance from time to time.  
AWD

(Letter as originally prepared concurred in by IG)



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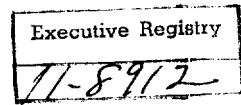
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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CORPORATION

October 30, 1959

The Hon. Allen W. Dulles  
2430 E Street  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Allen:

I have written the attached letter to General Hull. My decision to withdraw from the Board does not mean that I have any less interest in its assignment or that I shall not continue to have a great interest in the CIA.

I have particularly enjoyed the associations with you which membership on the Board has brought me and I am grateful for what this has meant.

Yours, cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. R. Killian, Jr.".

J. R. Killian, Jr.

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October 30, 1959

General John E. Hull, USA (Ret.)  
Chairman  
The President's Board of Consultants  
on Foreign Intelligence Activities  
Room 297, Executive Office Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Ed:

I have concluded that I should resign from the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities to take effect at the earliest practical date. I still have time-consuming commitments in connection with the President's Science Advisory Committee and, in addition, I have been asked by the President to undertake another assignment. In order to discharge these obligations, I must drop some other things, and the Board of Consultants is one of them.

I regret leaving the Board very much for I have enjoyed the associations and I have been deeply interested in the assignment of the Board. I also feel a certain filial sense of allegiance since I had the initial responsibility of getting the Board into operation.

In the absence of General Persons, who is on vacation, I have reported my decision to General Goodpaster and I am writing to Allen Dulles, sending him a copy of this letter.

It is not within my province to suggest a replacement, but if I were asked to make such a suggestion, it would be Dr. William O. Baker. His fixed term on the President's Science Advisory Committee expires at the end of this calendar year. He has, as you well know, gone very deeply into some of the problems of importance to the Board, and I would think that he would have an important continuing contribution to make.

It has been a particular personal pleasure for me to have the opportunity of working with you.

Yours cordially,

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J. R. Killian, Jr.